Maryland Department of State Police



2007 Annual Report

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The Honorable Martin O'Malley Governor of Maryland State House 100 State Circle Annapolis MD 21404

Dear Governor O'Malley:

It is with great pleasure that I present to you and the citizens of Maryland, the Department of State Police 2007 Annual Report. This report exemplifies how the Department has strived to serve and protect the people of Maryland through a diverse array of accomplishments and duties throughout the year.

The women and men of the Department are always striving to improve and strengthen public safety in Maryland. As such, the Department moved toward that goal by working more closely with local law enforcement to improve both public safety and homeland security. This increased and dynamic protection of the citizens and communities in Maryland is being accomplished through the seamless coordination and consistent information sharing that is a fundamental necessity in today's ever changing world.

Nothing that we value and care about as a society is possible without public safety and security; therefore, our mission of providing the highest quality of law enforcement services for the people who live, work or visit the State of Maryland will flourish as the Department continues to build on the traditions of selfless public service and the pursuit of excellence in law enforcement.

Sincerely.

Terrence B. Sheridan Superintendent

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Executive Summary

The dedicated men and women of the Maryland State Police continued to serve the citizens of Maryland in the year 2007. While the basic duties of a trooper include investigating traffic accidents, issuing citations, writing reports and enforcing the laws of Maryland, troopers do so much more. The Maryland State Police offer a full range of police services to the residents of Maryland. The Department is responsible for patrolling the major highways in Maryland, as well as responding to calls within each county. The Maryland State Police is the primary law enforcement agency in several counties across the state.

Noteworthy events in 2007 include:

Troopers assigned to the Maryland State Police Helicopter "Trooper 1" successfully rescued three injured people from the Susquehanna River and flew them to safety after their small boat went over a dam.

Seven K-9 teams were awarded certificates of completion. Maryland State Police bloodhounds will join search teams from the mountains to the seashore assisting with the safe return of lost hikers and children as well as tracking fleeing criminals.

A new Electronic Traffic Information Exchange pilot program was launched in 2007. The program will test the effectiveness of in-car computers. The technology is expected to increase safety and decrease traffic stop time for troopers and motorists.

The School Bus Safety Enforcement Fund administered by the Department of State Police awarded \$550,000 in grants during 2007. These funds are used by State and local police departments and sheriff's departments to enforce Maryland Traffic Laws regarding the illegal passing of school buses.

In January 2007, a team of experienced troopers, with extensive training in criminal investigation and fugitive apprehension, combined their skills to apprehend wanted felons. The State Apprehension Team "SAT" apprehended over 100 wanted felons from across the State since its inception.

The new Forensic Sciences Facility was able to collect, process, perform technical reviews, and upload over 24,300 backlogged DNA samples belonging to the Convicted Offenders Program. With the assistance of the new administration, and the aide of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, the collection of DNA samples was escalated to new heights. The challenge was given to the Biology Section to have the backlogged process reviewed and uploaded by February 2008. The Biology Section not only accepted the challenge, but beat the deadline as well. As a result of this effort, over 187 new "hits" have been realized.

The Department of State Police continues to enlist the use of new technology and resources to ensure that the citizens of Maryland receive the highest quality law enforcement, crime solving and protection.

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State Trooper's Oath

I, _______, do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States of America and to the State of Maryland; that I will serve honestly and faithfully to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America and to the State of Maryland; that I will enforce the laws of the State of Maryland; and that I will obey the orders of the Governor and the Officers appointed over me according to the rules and regulations of the Maryland State Police.



Mission

The Mission of the Maryland State Police is to protect the citizens of the State of Maryland from foreign and domestic security threats, to fight crime, and to promote roadway safety by upholding the laws of the State of Maryland. This will be accomplished through aggressive patrol, investigation, intelligence gathering and interdiction efforts; and by providing leadership and assistance to state and local agencies.

Vision

We will be the model of a responsive, coordinated, composite statewide police department; independent yet supportive of allied law enforcement agencies. We are committed to the utmost professionalism in delivering all-encompassing police services focused on traffic safety, homeland security, crime reduction and criminal apprehension. We continually strive to develop the skills of our members and to efficiently and effectively manage our resources as we carry out our public responsibilities.



The Maryland State Police has served the citizens of Maryland since its inception in 1921. Maryland troopers are among the finest law enforcement officers in the world and each is sworn to uphold the Department's core values of Integrity, Fairness and Service.

Our Values

Integrity

Maryland State Police personnel shall uphold the public trust by being honest and maintaining the highest standards of ethical and moral character.

Fairness

Maryland State Police personnel shall treat each citizen with respect and preserve each citizen's dignity in an unbiased manner.

Service

Maryland State Police personnel shall provide dedicated and compassionate assistance to all citizens.



Fallen Heroes

Thirty-nine Maryland State troopers have given their lives in the line of duty while serving the citizens of Maryland. They are listed below in the order they paid the ultimate price of duty:

John W Jeffrey	Officer	September 21, 1921
William C Lochner	Officer	April 20, 1923
Raymond P Eicholtz	Officer	May 27, 1923
Hugh K Painter	Officer	March 30, 1924
Albert E Cramblitt	Officer	October 1, 1925
James S Noon	Officer	December 25, 1927
Clinton R Rhodes	Officer	January 28, 1931
Theodore A Moore	Officer	September 25, 1932
Imla D Hubbard	Officer First Class	March 4, 1933
Joseph E Kuhn	Officer	April 8, 1934
Carroll C Creeger	Officer First Class	December 23, 1934
Wilbert V Hunter	Quartermaster Sergeant	February 7, 1936
J.F. Leo Shaab	Officer	July 22, 1937
Ellsworth D Dryden	Quartermaster Sergeant	October 7, 1938
Lauren M Ridge	Trooper First Class	July 14, 1950
Leonard N Brown	Lieutenant	July 7, 1958
Arthur W Plummer, Jr.	Trooper First Class	April 9, 1961
Phillip L Russ	Trooper First Class	October 28, 1972
Thomas A Noyle	Trooper First Class	October 28, 1972
Donald E Parkerson, Jr.	Trooper First Class	September 18, 1973
Charles S Rathell	Trooper First Class	September 18, 1973
Wallace J Mowbray	Sergeant	August 10, 1975
Mart Hudson	Trooper	June 16, 1975
Milton V Purnell, Jr.	Trooper	May 29, 1975
Gregg A Presbury, Sr.	Trooper	December 17, 1977
William P Mills, Jr.	Trooper First Class	June 8, 1979
Gary L Wade	Trooper	January 30, 1982
Carey S Poetzman	Trooper First Class	January 19, 1986
Gregory A May	Corporal	January 19, 1986
John E Sawa	Trooper First Class	March 10, 1987
Larry E Small	Trooper	March 10, 1987
Eric D Monk	Trooper First Class	April 9, 1988
Theodore D Wolf, Sr.	Corporal	March 29, 1990
Mark P Groner	Trooper First Class	October 1, 1992
Edward A Plank, Jr.	Trooper First Class	October 17, 1995
Joseph T Lanzi Sr.	Trooper First Class	October 28, 1995
Raymond G Armstead, Jr.	Trooper	March 25, 1998
Edward M Toatley	Corporal	October 30, 2000
Anthony Jones	Trooper First Class	May 9, 2004

Office of the Superintendent

The Department of State Police is comprised of the Maryland State Police (MSP), the Office of the State Fire Marshal, and the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council. There are three bureaus in the MSP: Field Operations Bureau, Homeland Security & Investigation Bureau and Support Services Bureau, each commanded by a lieutenant colonel. The Superintendent chairs the Maryland Police & Correctional Training Commission, the Handgun Roster Board, Cease Fire Council and the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council, and is a member of the Maryland Security Council, Family Violence Council, Governor's Executive Council and the State Information Technology Board.



Executive Protection & Legislative Security Section

The Executive Protection Section provides security for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and State's constitutional officers including the Attorney General, Comptroller of Maryland, and State Treasurer. The Legislative Security Section is charged with ensuring the safety and security of the President of the State Senate, the Speaker of the House of Delegates, and all 188 members of the General Assembly while in session.

Labor Relations Section

The Labor Relations Section represents the Office of the Superintendent in all employee relations matters, including contract negotiations with various employee bargaining units.

Internal Affairs Section

The Internal Affairs Section ensures that allegations of misconduct against employees are investigated and progressive supervisory action is taken, when necessary, to ensure the Department's values are upheld.

Legal Counsel Section

The Legal Counsel Section provides representation to the MSP and State Fire Marshal in all civil actions filed in State and Federal courts. The section also initiates forfeiture cases; provides legal advice to the Maryland Emergency Management Agency; reviews contracts, agreements and memoranda of understanding entered into by the MSP.

Office of Media Communications & Marketing

The Office of Media Communications & Marketing provides numerous interviews to television, radio and print media statewide. In 2007, the unit provided more than 160 news releases and responded to numerous on-scene media interview requests. The section continued to work with Special Olympics Maryland. In 2007, the Maryland State Police Polar Bear Plunge and the Deep Creek Dunk raised over \$2.5 million dollars for children and adults.

Office of Strategic Planning

The Office of Strategic Planning consists of the Government Affairs Unit, the Professional Policing Division, the Inspection and Compliance Division, the Planning and Research Division, the Management Analysis Section, the Budget and Finance Division and the Grants Management Section.

Vehicle Theft and Prevention Council

Subtitle 2-702 of the Public Safety Article establishes the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council and Vehicle Theft Prevention Fund to assist in the prevention and deterrence of vehicle theft and related crimes, including vandalism and theft of property from vehicles. The Council develops statewide strategies and makes grants to support community-based law enforcement, prevention and education, juvenile and prosecution programs.

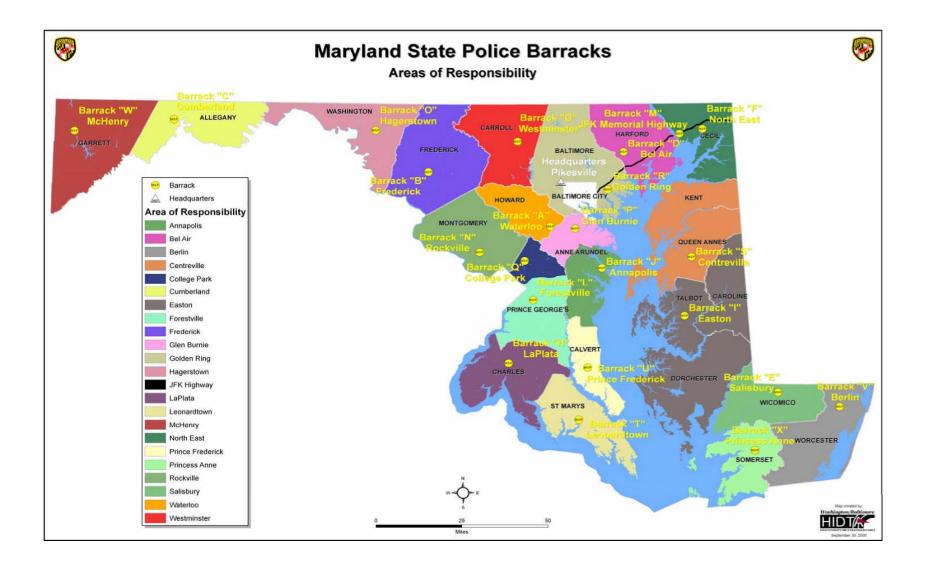
Office of the State Fire Marshal

The Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM) has made significant advancements in 2007. The fire investigation reporting system, Fire Files, was moved from regional servers onto a central server, providing statewide accessibility to fire investigation reports. The new reporting process allows for the timely analysis of information so resources can be allocated in a productive manner.

During 2007 the OSFM staff conducted over 16,000 fire and life safety inspections, and nearly 1,200 fire investigations. Of these fire investigations, 470 were determined to be criminal in nature. Deputy State Fire Marshals closed 148 of the 470 criminal cases for a closure rate of 31%, which is double the national average.

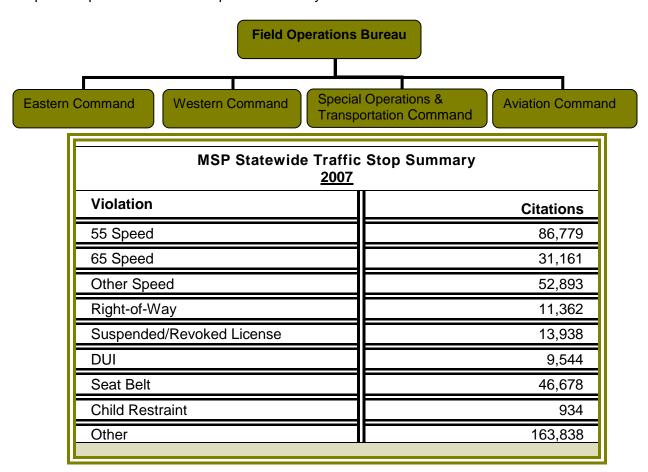


Antietam Village Shopping Center / Arson – 2 Million Loss



Field Operations Bureau

The Field Operations Bureau is the most visible part of the Maryland State Police since it includes troopers who regularly interact with the public. Within the Bureau are four Commands: the Eastern Command and Western Command which together encompass the 23 Barracks; the Special Operations and Transportation Safety Command and the Aviation Command.



Seat Belt Use								
For Calendar Year 2007 Maryland State Seatbelt Use (Compliance was 93.1%)								
Year	Year Non-restraint Statewide Percent of Non -restraint Fatalities Fatalities							
2002	200	661	30%					
2003	226	650	35%					
2004	210	643	33%					
2005	2005 197 614 32%							
2006	2006 191 652 29%							
2007	165	614	27%					

Chemical Test for Alcohol Unit (CTAU)

CTAU is responsible for managing the statewide Breath Alcohol Testing Program, in which the Department and 30 allied agencies participate.

Driving Under the Influence Arrests*

Below is a breakdown by age of the DUI arrests by all Maryland police agencies.

Number of Arrests

Age	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Less Than 16	16	13	7	15	15
16 – 17	350	345	323	319	296
18 – 20	2,093	2,101	1,879	2,107	1,952
21 & Older	21,538	22,596	21,935	22,687	22,646
Total	23,997	25,055	24,144	25,129	24,909

^{*}Source: Department of State Police Chemical Test for Alcohol Unit

DUI arrests by the Department of State Police during 2007:

Age	Number
Less than 16	6
16 - 17	103
18 - 20	761
21 & Older	8,497
Total	9,367 (37.6%)

Eastern Command

Annapolis Barrack

On November 27, 2007, the Annapolis Barrack coordinated efforts in providing security to foreign dignitaries attending the Annapolis Mid-East Peace Summit held at the United States Naval Academy. This conference involved delegations from approximately 40 nations, including the President of the United States, the Secretary of State, the Israeli Prime Minister and the President of the Palestine Authority. *The plan was executed flawlessly and the conference was regarded as a complete success*.

Bel Air Barrack

Investigators were assigned to a commercial theft scheme that resulted in a loss of over 1.5 million dollars from a Rite Aid Distribution Center in Edgewood. Arrests were made linking the primary suspect and his associates to the Hells Angles Outlaw Motorcycle Club.

Investigators were called to investigate a major international auto theft ring. This group was well organized, stealing new vehicles by specific order and shipping them overseas. Within the next 120 hours, investigators located the facility where vehicles were stored. *Their efforts shut down a large East Coast Criminal Organization,* arresting those involved and recovering 17 new vehicles.

Berlin Barrack

On September 13, 2007, the Eastern Troop implemented its annual operation for the 2007 Delmarva Bike Week Event in Worcester County. This is a four day operation which historically attracts over 100,000 motorcycling enthusiasts. MSP Truck One was established as a forward command post at the event site providing surveillance capabilities and a communication system with other law enforcement agencies. Outlaw motorcycle gangs were in attendance. Intelligence sources revealed that strong law enforcement presence prevented conflicts with rival gang members.

The presence of MSP Truck One at the event site made a strong statement about the MSP response. Troopers made 27 DUI arrests, 8 CDS arrests, and 4 Warrant arrests.

Easton Barrack

The MSP Easton Barrack, upon the request of the Secret Service, provided 24 hour security to the 2007 House Republican Conference. Members of the United States Congress, their families and staff attended the three-day event. The event highlighted a personal appearance by President George W. Bush on January 26, 2007.

Working closely with the United States Capitol Police, United States Secret Service, and Federal Bureau of Investigation, as well as six other local law enforcement agencies and EMS personnel; *the Easton Barrack became the lead Maryland law enforcement agency.* Overall, the operation included the coordination of over 300 law enforcement personnel.

Glen Burnie Barrack

Glen Burnie Barrack remains a valuable resource for response to all incidents posing a threat to homeland security, due to its close proximity to the BWI Airport, the Fort Meade U.S. Army Installation, the Curtis Bay Coast Guard Station, the Amtrak Train Station at BWI and the various NSA facilities.

LaPlata Barrack

La Plata Barrack troopers *arrested 625 persons for Driving Under the Influence in 2007*. This represents a 26.8% increase from 2006. La Plata Barrack personnel *led all barracks in this category*.

Leonardtown Barrack

The Barrack was second only to the much larger Westminster Barrack in drug apprehensions. *The Barrack was also among the top three in adult criminal and warrant apprehensions.*

North East Barrack

On September 29 & 30, 2007 personnel from the North East Barrack participated in a joint effort providing aggressive law enforcement presence at the Harley Davidson Drag Racing Association Races. The aggressive law enforcement presence by the Maryland State Police ensured the safety of the citizens attending the event during this potentially violent gathering of outlaw motorcycle gang members.

On April 2, 2007 criminal investigators from the North East Barrack and the Cecil County Sheriff's Office joined their forces to create the Cecil County Bureau of Investigations. Since its inception, the Cecil County Bureau of Investigations has investigated 487 cases, which include 27 armed robberies, 168 burglaries, 39 child abuse cases, 27 sex offenses and 76 theft cases. Of the 27 armed robberies investigated, 23 resulted in arrest or indictment, including the arrest of four subjects who committed five armed robberies in a 12 day period.

Prince Frederick Barrack

Throughout 2007, the Calvert County Neighborhood Watch Program continued to flourish. This is coordinated through a combined effort between the Maryland State Police and the Calvert County Sheriff's Office and supported on many levels. To date, approximately 36 communities are actively participating in this worthwhile endeavor. Information received from participants has resulted in closure of several criminal investigations. This initiative has successfully aligned itself with the Calvert Alliance Against Substance Abuse, the Calvert County Crime Solvers, and the Calvert County Family Network.

Princess Anne Barrack

On June 12, 2007, troopers from the Princess Anne Barrack responded to a home invasion with shots fired. Upon their arrival, victims informed the troopers that four suspects had fled the residence from the back door. As a result of the initial manhunt, two suspects were immediately apprehended in close proximity to the crime scene. An extensive investigation led authorities to Charlotte, North Carolina in search of the remaining suspects. With the assistance of North Carolina law enforcement personnel, *Maryland State Troopers located and apprehended both suspects during the early morning hours of November 15, 2007.* All suspects were charged with Attempted First Degree Murder, Assault 1st Degree, Reckless Endangerment, Handgun on Person, Handgun use in Felony/Violent Crime, and Second Degree Assault.

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- CDS arrests increased from 164 in 2006 to 209 in 2007 a 27% increase.
- Troopers took an aggressive stance on collision reduction, showing a 6.20% decrease in collisions from 2006 to 2007 (242 to 227).
- DUI arrests increased from 136 during 2006 to 231 during 2007 a 69.8% increase.

Salisbury Barrack

Throughout 2007, troopers from the Salisbury Barrack aggressively enforced Maryland's transportation and criminal laws. Salisbury Barrack troopers made **482 DUI arrests (4th highest in state)**. *They made 352 arrests for violations of Controlled Dangerous Substance laws (3rd highest in state)*. Additionally, troopers issued a total of 14,321 traffic citations. Troopers at the Salisbury Barrack also **seized 45 handguns (2nd highest in state)**.

Westminster Barrack

Between the months of July and December of 2007 several counties in Maryland and other jurisdictions within the states of Virginia and Pennsylvania experienced numerous commercial burglaries dubbed the "hole-in-the-wall burglaries." A common M.O. for the suspects was to steal a large vehicle and use it to ram the front of the establishment gaining access. Once access was achieved, the suspects would remove the ATM from the establishment. Carroll County experienced several such burglaries during the last several months of 2007.

Suspects from the Washington DC area were developed and on December 11, 2007, Westminster Barrack investigators learned that a suspect was in close proximity to Baltimore and Carroll County. Investigators were mobilized and located a concealed/unattended suspect vehicle. Surveillance was established while Pennsylvania authorities were warned of a pending burglary. The suspects committed the burglary in southern Pennsylvania at the Maryland line using a stolen vehicle. All suspects were apprehended and charged.

The suspects committed an estimated 38 burglaries in 23 jurisdictions in 3 states, Maryland, Virginia, and Pennsylvania with monetary losses exceeding a hundred thousand dollars and property damages likely exceeding a million dollars.

Western Command

College Park Barrack

College Park Barrack personnel, along with the Prince George's County Police, participate in a crime suppression initiative "Operation Cooperative Spirit." The initiative establishes "hot spots," aimed toward identifying and apprehending criminals, and bridging the gap with local neighborhoods.

Cumberland Barrack

The Cumberland Barrack initiated a child pornography investigation in 2007. This investigation was far-reaching including the U. S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, as well as the U. S. Postal Service and the FBI. The multi-jurisdictional investigation led to the discovery of victims (one of whom was only 9 years old), as well as more than 600 images of child pornography. This investigation resulted in a suspect pleading guilty to two counts of sexual exploitation of a minor to produce child pornography. The subject was sentenced to 50 years in prison.

Frederick Barrack

The Barrack is responsible for providing security in conjunction with the U.S. Secret Service for the President of the United States, his family and other members of his cabinet while residing at Camp David. Barrack personnel are responsible for calls for service on the outside perimeter of Camp David.

Barrack personnel assisted the United States Secret Service at the National Fallen Firefighters Ceremony, Emmitsburg MD, which was televised nationally and attended by President George W. Bush.

Golden Ring Barrack

Golden Ring Barrack troopers assisted the FBI in locating and arresting two suspects involved in an armed bank robbery, with shots fired after they were observed on Interstate 83.

Hagerstown Barrack

Troopers assisted with the capture of the suspect in the killing of a Smithsburg Police Officer. On December 29, 2007 the Hagerstown Barrack was notified that a Smithsburg Police Officer was shot while providing back up for the Washington County Sheriff's Department. Information was received that the suspect was at a location in the Smithsburg area. A confrontation between the suspect and officer resulted in the exchange of gunfire leaving the officer mortally wounded.

A cooperative effort between the Maryland State Police, the Washington County Sheriff's Department and Hagerstown City Police resulted in a coordinated effort to surround the crime scene area. *The presence of the Hagerstown trooper was critical in preventing the suspect from exiting the perimeter.* The suspect opened fire on the Hagerstown troopers, Hagerstown City Police Officers and the Washington County Sheriff's Department SWAT team: The suspect was incapacitated by return fire.

JFK Highway Barrack

In March 2007, a trooper stopped a vehicle on S/B Interstate-95 for traffic violations. A subsequent K-9 scan and search of the vehicle resulted in the seizure of 811.5 grams of Cocaine. *This was the largest seizure of Cocaine in 2007.*

McHenry Barrack

Between November 2006 and January 2007, an investigation into identity theft resulted in the arrest of a suspect who traveled to eleven states (Maryland to Okalahoma) and visited over 50 hospitals using false identification to obtain medication. The case closed with a confession and is currently being prosecuted in Federal Court. The total loss was approximately \$30,000.

An investigation into several residential burglaries in the McHenry area resulted in a criminal arrest of a suspect, closing six burglary cases. Further investigation into these cases resulted in several forgery charges in Maryland and Pennsylvania.

Waterloo Barrack

On August 4, 2007, Waterloo Barrack received a dispatch call advising of a motorist traveling on I-70 in distress. The motorist advised that someone was trying to kill her. *Through an intense investigation, the suspect was apprehended and both victims (mother and 6 year old child) were located.*

In 2007, Waterloo Barrack experienced increasing reports of stolen vehicles from roadways. As a result of these increasing thefts, the Waterloo Barrack has taken a proactive approach by conducting surveillance operations utilizing the Waterloo Barrack Criminal Investigation Section, MSP Auto Theft Unit, Technical Surveillance Unit, MSP Motor Unit and Criminal Intelligence Unit.



Special Operations &

Transportation Safety Command

The Special Operations & Transportation Safety Command is under the Field Operations Bureau. The Command includes many specialized divisions and units that provide safety and rescue assistance to the citizens in Maryland.

Pro-Active Criminal Enforcement (PACE) Team

The PACE Team uses traffic enforcement measures to identify interstate terrorism, interdict the flow of illegal drugs, seize drug proceeds, untaxed cigarettes, illegal weapons, and to detect other types of criminal activity.

During 2007, the PACE Team members generated the following results:

- 105 Criminal Investigations/Cases
- 132 Criminal Arrests (17 of which included fugitive arrests)
- More than 99 kilograms or 222 pounds of cocaine seized
- More than 183 kilograms or 409 pounds of marijuana seized
- 14,625 tablets of MDMA/Ecstasy seized
- 228 grams of Heroin, 218 grams of Crack-Cocaine and 70 grams of PCP seized
- 4,250 counterfeit/pirated CD's/DVD's seized
- 26 seized vehicles, 12 of which contained non-factory installed, electronically controlled hidden compartments
- 30 firearms seized, including three fully automatic machine guns
- \$1,476,375.00 in U.S. Currency/Drug Proceeds seized





Photographs of seized drugs and handguns

Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division (CVED)

CVED operates weigh/inspection stations throughout the State of Maryland. The Division aggressively focuses its efforts on safety inspections of commercial motor vehicles traveling in the State, while also concentrating efforts on the prevention of commercial vehicles being used as weapons of terror.

CVED Preventive Maintenance Program

	2004	2005	2006	2007
Total Vehicles Weighed - Static Scales	1,013,763	1,063,896	1,081,774	1,051,376
Weigh in Motion	1,003,795	1,672,765	1,646,729	2,032,987
Citations – All violations	58,847	63,580	60,908	62,887
Overweight	16,748	18,705	19,960	19,761
Seatbelt	3,364	3,697	3,203	3,200
Warnings	43,961	47,145	32,397	25,300
Roadside Inspections	75,512	75,712	65,835	69,306
Alcohol Violations	152	135	134	118
DUI	16	22	16	29
CDS Violations	20	167	86	79
Fines	\$8,542,248	\$8,550,430	\$8,739,809	\$9,996,500

Vehicles registered in Maryland, weighing over 10,000 pounds are required to be maintained in a safe operating condition and must be inspected every 25,000 miles.

2007 Compliance Inspections

Year	Preventative Maintenance Audits	Compliance Reviews	New Entrant Safety Audits	Citations	Suspensions
2003	2,827	64	67	505	33
2004	1,633	69	430	488	11
2005	1,312	130	862	191	12
2006	2,621	184	1,599	197	3
2007	1,721	118	617	211	14

Notable CVED Case

On June 14, 2007 the US Department of State Criminal Investigation Division along with Pennsylvania police agencies, served thirteen arrest warrants and federal search warrants. The companies and assets seized included truck tractors, semi-tractors, houses, cars, cash and other assets. This investigation involved the use of counterfeit Commercial Drivers Licenses (CDLs). These high quality counterfeit CDLs would use stolen information from valid license holders, thus creating a legitimate NCIC check. **Based on its participation, Maryland stands to receive a percentage of the seized assets, due to a joint effort investigation leading back to 2005**.

The Automotive Safety Enforcement Division (ASED) Statistics

ASED is responsible, by law, for the State's vehicle safety inspection program and for all Safety Equipment Repair Orders issued by law enforcement agencies. Additionally, the Division supervises approximately 1,650 inspection stations throughout the State.

Inspection Safety Statistics

Inspection Station Application Investigations	2004	2005	2006	2007
New	149	77	124	117
Re-applications	122	85	62	136
Disapproved	49	25	23	28
ASED Station Checks/Visits Completed	13,012	10,717	9,904	9,771

Authorized Inspection Stations	2004	2005	2006	2007
Class A -Passenger vehicles, trucks 10,000 lbs & under, trailers w/o air brakes up to 20 ft, multipurpose passenger vehicles.	1,510	1,515	1,528	1,537
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Class B - Any trailer, including those with air brakes	12	13	12	11
Class C - Trucks, Truck Tractors, buses over 10,000 lbs	18	20	20	20
Class D - Combination of Classes B and C	77	77	75	79
Class F - Fleet (Own, operate, or control at least 15 vehicles).	24	23	20	21
Class M - Motorcycle and 3-wheeled multipurpose vehicles	215	210	210	220
Class R - Recreational Motor Vehicles (motor homes, converted buses)	14	13	11	11
Class T - Any trailer up to 10,000 lbs.	93	96	89	86
Class G - Combination of Class R and T	52	53	51	53
Total of Licensed Inspection Stations (Stations may be approved for more than one class)	1,628	1,630	1,641	1,653

ASED is responsible for the processing of Safety Equipment Repair Orders (SERO) issued statewide. Additionally, the Division processes compliance copies and issues non-compliance suspension notices. The SERO Program is the main enforcement tool for removing vehicles with defective equipment from the State's highways.

Breakdown of SERO Orders issued by Maryland State Police

MSP DIVISONS, BARRACKS, DETACHMENTS	2004	2005	2006	2007
ASED	521	508	602	446
Annapolis	319	970	969	1,224
Aviation Division	38	22	20	52
Bel Air	855	504	711	532
Berlin	775	785	641	513
Cambridge	315	406	547	516
Centreville	674	493	790	559
Chestertown	80	105	158	65
College Park	411	754	956	1,565
Cumberland	340	88	405	494
CVED	3,653	3,935	4,110	3,697
Denton	273	435	510	461
Easton	700	791	1,255	1,618
Forestville	725	743	1,256	235
Frederick	840	661	978	1,018
Glen Burnie	1,675	2,793	2,216	1,547
Hagerstown	548	381	383	271
JFK	148	397	1,135	734
Leonardtown	1,276	1,097	1,569	1,735
McHenry	535	435	495	481
North East	482	254	324	379
Prince Frederick	1,354	948	2,122	2,057
Princess Anne	332	641	291	359
Rockville	713	1,007	1,311	1,050
Salisbury	677	848	838	1,104
Golden Ring	736	902	960	536
Waldorf	1,544	1,242	2,243	1,673
Waterloo	596	1,019	998	1,697
Westminster	2,556	1,350	2,185	1,959
Other MSP Personnel	402	481	299	222
MSP TOTAL	24,093	35,293	35,237	28,799

SERO Statistics Continued	2004	2005	2006	2007
SERO Issued by Other Agencies	87,763	94,139	119,203	143,884
TOTAL SERO's ISSUED (Processed)	111,856	119,134	154,440	172,683
Additional SERO's Pending Processing	N/A	29,138	13,802	10,480
TOTAL SERO'S RECEIVED	N/A	148,272	168,242	183,163
(Percent Change in SEROs from Prior Year)	N/A	N/A	+13.5%	+9.9%

TAG SUSPENSIONS (SERO Non-Compliance)							
Tag Suspension Letters Issued	21,326	0	52,343	68,922			
Tag Suspension Releases	18,773	5,221	28,299	47,071			
Tag Pick-Up Orders Assigned	11,964	0	14,348	5,221			
Tag Pick-Up Orders Closed	15,307	0	5,916	4,384			

During 2007, 96 percent of the salvage inspections were conducted by ASED salvage vehicle inspectors. The purpose of the program is to detect stolen vehicles and parts, as well as protecting citizens when purchasing rebuilt vehicles.

Salvage Vehicle Inspections	2004	2005	2006	2007
Salvage Inspections by ASED Personnel ONLY	5,413	10,343	12,119	12,016
Salvage Inspections by Other MSP Personnel	5,773	1,176	443	490
Salvage Inspections by County Police Departments	0	0	0	0
Total Salvage Inspections by MSP Personnel	11,186	11,519	12,562	12,506

K-9 Unit

The Special Operations Division K-9 Unit staff consists of six sworn handlers/trainers, one civilian trainer, and two "Volunteers in Police Support" search managers. During 2007, the K-9 Unit generated the following results:

- Responded to 935 K-9 related calls and 5,637 non-K-9 related calls.
- Narcotics detection dogs conducted 1,337 scans resulting in 352 apprehensions.
- CDS Detection dogs were responsible in assisting with the seizure of \$1,914,559 of U.S. currency in 2007(an increase from \$1,546,213 seized in 2006).
- Bloodhound teams were requested 187 times and responded to 117 search operations.
- Explosive detection canine teams conducted 192 sweeps with no explosive devices located.



EMERGENCY CALL-OUTS IN 2007

Patrol Dog Teams	10
Explosive Detection Teams	13
Bloodhound Teams	107
Narcotic Detection Teams	7
Article Detection Team	3
High Risk Tracking and Search Team	6
Total Call Outs	146



Bloodhounds are often used in located missing persons

Aviation Command

Throughout Maryland, 24 hours a day, the Aviation Command transports critically injured citizens to trauma centers within the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services System. The Command also provides aerial support for the Department and allied public safety agencies. Additionally, the Command conducts search and rescue operations, and aids criminal investigation and traffic control.

Nothing demonstrates the Command's multi-mission capability and law enforcement support role better than the tragic incident that resulted in the death of a police officer Christopher Nicholson in December 2007. After shooting Officer Nicholson, the suspect fled the scene. A massive search for the suspect was immediately initiated. *The crew of Trooper 8 from the Norwood Section, played a significant role in preventing further injuries/death to law enforcement officers when they located the hiding suspect from the air Aviation personnel effectively utilized the onboard FLIR (Forward Looking Infra-Red) to track the suspect and direct ground units to his location where he was subsequently shot during a shoot-out with police.*



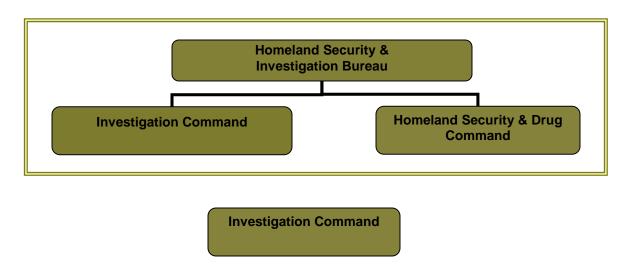
Trooper 1 of the Baltimore Section pictured participating in hoist training with local fire and rescue personnel

Fiscal Year 2007 Aviation Statistics	FY 2007	FY 2008
Air Medical Activities (EMS)	6,557	5,347
Law Enforcement Activities	874	715
Homeland Security Activities	233	264
Incidental Critical Infrastructure Checks	540	1,821
Command Operational Activities	7,664	6,326

Homeland Security & Investigation Bureau

The Homeland Security & Investigation Bureau provides all of the intelligence and many of the investigative functions for the Department in partnership with allied law enforcement agencies. In addition, the Bureau manages the Department's crime lab.

Homeland Security & Investigation Bureau consists of two commands:



The Investigation Command is responsible for two divisions:

1) Forensic Science Division 2) Criminal Investigation Division

Forensic Sciences Division (FSD)

The goal of the Maryland State Police Forensic Sciences Division is to provide the Law Enforcement Community and the citizenry of Maryland with the highest quality and integrity in forensic laboratory analysis and expert testimony. The Division is responsible for two branches; the Operational Services Branch and the Scientific Analysis Branch. The civilian and sworn personnel within these two branches provide scientific support services to the law enforcement community. Some services include, but are not limited to, the collection and preservation of physical evidence, examination of evidence, issuance of scientific reports, and providing expert courtroom testimony.

Operational Services Branch

This branch is comprised of the following Units: Crime Scene Unit, Evidence Coordinator's Unit, Support Staff, and the Photography Unit.

- Conducted 1,305 forensic investigations; 735 for the Maryland State Police and 394 for allied police agencies.
- 9,651 CDS cases submitted for analysis. 6,652 CDS cases were submitted by the Maryland State Police for destruction and 188 were submitted by allied police agencies for destruction.
- Handled 44 special photography assignments.
- Processed 3,339 submissions of color film and printed 60,735 color prints.

- In April, 2007, crime scene technicians responded to Wicomico County, Maryland, in reference to a homicide investigation. Upon arriving at the scene it was learned that the victim, a minister, had been beaten to death in his own residence and it was believed that robbery was the motive. The crime scene technicians processed the scene, collected numerous suspected blood samples and latent fingerprints including a fingerprint in suspected blood that was found on a plastic bag inside of a wooden chest. This bag was believed to have contained money belonging to the victim. As a result of the latent print evidence that was collected, a positive identification was made on the suspect. After his apprehension the suspect's hands were swabbed and his clothing collected. This additional evidence led to the discovery of the victim's DNA on the suspect's hand and clothes further assisting in the case.
- In July 2007, the Division received a call in reference to an Armed Car Jacking/1st Degree Assault. A young female victim was approached by several unknown suspects who requested she assist them with a ride because their vehicle had broken down. As she drove them to the location requested the suspects attacked her with a hammer taking her vehicle which was later recovered in Howard Co. After being towed, a crime scene technician processed the vehicle recovering 11 latent print lifts which identified the two suspects in the case leading to their arrest.
- In October 2007, a crime scene technician responded to the Division of Parole and Probation in reference to a second suspect from a rape that had occurred in 2001. The crime scene technician photographed the suspect and collected his DNA. As the result of evidence that was collected from the original scene in 2001, the suspect was identified through a match of his DNA. This was the second suspect in the rape. The first suspect was previously identified through DNA collected by the crime scene technician in August of 2006.

Scientific Analysis Branch

This branch is comprised of the following units: Chemistry/Toxicology, Serology, DNA Casework and DNA Database, Trace Evidence, Latent Prints, Firearms/Toolmarks, Questioned Documents and the regional CDS laboratories located in Berlin and Hagerstown.

- The Chemistry Unit examined 8,321 drug cases in Pikesville, 3,901 drug cases in Berlin, and 1,560 drug cases in Hagerstown.
- The Toxicology Unit analyzed 944 cases for alcohol in blood specimens.
- The Trace Evidence Unit examined 273 cases of physical evidence in the form of fire debris, paint, fibers, glass, and trace metal analysis.
- During a rash of auto part thefts, the Trace Evidence Unit was requested to do a physical/ fracture match of a suspected catalytic converter to a vehicle where one had been stolen. The unique striation and weld markings between the two ends allowed for a positive match.
- In Cecil County a man, suffering from a gunshot wound to the back of his left leg, claimed
 that he was shot at a distance by an unknown person while crossing a bridge. It was
 determined by the Trace Evidence Unit that a revolver had been discharged in his right rear
 pocket that caused the injury. The man is also now a suspect in a holdup with a revolver that
 occurred just prior to his reported incident.
- While investigating a first degree rape, the Hyattsville Police Department found a portion of a condom wrapper at the scene. When a suspect was established, a set of unopened condom wrappers was found in his pocket. The Trace Evidence Unit was able to physically match one edge, from the wrapper found at the scene, to one edge from the set of wrappers found on the suspect, thus proving that at one time the set of condom wrappers were joined and thereby placing the suspect at the scene of the rape.

- The Latent Print Unit completed 2,297 cases this period with 2,082 cases submitted reducing the current case backlog to 190 cases as of 01/01/2008. There were 312 individual case identifications made this period on 335 different individuals. The examiners within this unit compared 51,408 prints from a known to unknown source and chemically processed 1,151 items of physical evidence submitted from the law enforcement community,
- In April 2007, two partially mummified fingers and a partial palm print from a victim found in a shallow grave in Dorchester County were identified to a known individual that was a suspicious missing person from Baltimore County. The identification was made after the fingers and palm was re-hydrated.
- The Questioned Document Unit had 22 cases submitted for examination and three resubmissions from September – December 2007. Of those case submissions, nine were positive identifications; one was inconclusive and eight had no basis for identification due to documents not suitable for comparison.
- In April of 2007, the Office of the State Prosecutor submitted a case where a town Mayor allegedly created a fraudulent town resolution. The resolution allowed the Mayor to steal monies from the town of Forest Heights. The case consisted of two separate examinations: an overlay of the signatures was made; and a signature comparison was conducted. Court testimony was presented by the Questioned Document Examiner whereby the Mayor was found guilty of theft and criminal misconduct in office and sentenced to six months in prison.
- The Firearms/Toolmarks Unit examined 606 cases.
- The Maryland IBIS Unit received 11,346 sample test fires from manufacturers providing fifteen (15) hits.
- The Biology Section achieved a herculean task when they collected, processed, performed technical reviews, and uploaded over 24,300 backlogged DNA samples belonging to the Convicted Offenders Program. As a result of this effort, over 187 new "hits" have been realized.
- An elderly woman who was bird watching in a park was sexually assaulted in a park bathroom. The victim was able to give a detailed description of her attacker and as a result he was caught in the park within a short time of the attack. A suspect sexual assault kit was performed. DNA was found to be a mixture of the victim and the suspect. At trial, the jury only took 45 minutes to find the suspect guilty of all charges.



Forensic Lab Cases examined/analyzed - FY 2007 **Biology** I. Serology Carry over from previous year 230 Cases submitted 470 Cases analyzed 318 Percent completed 45.4% II. DNA Forensic Casework 109 Carry over from previous year Cases submitted 132 183 Cases sent to contractor for analysis Percent completed 75.9% III. DNA Database (Convicted Offender Program) Carry over from previous year 23,703 Cases collected 10,840 Cases sent out 29,860 Percent completed and entered into 86.4% **CODIS** Number of hits per calendar year 194 (CY06) Chemistry Carry over from previous year 2,367 Collected 15,183 Analyzed 15,556 Percent completed 88.6% Firearms/Toolmarks Carry over from previous year 454 1,018 Collected Analyzed 825 Percent completed 56.0% **Cartridge Case Profiling Database** Carry over from previous 6,743 year Received 9,436 Analyzed 16,179 100% Percent completed **Latent Prints** Carry over from previous 702 year 2,025 Collected Analyzed 2,418 Percent completed 88.7% **Toxicology** Carry over from previous 0 year 994 Collected Analyzed 960 Percent completed 96.6% **Trace Evidence** Carry over from previous 96 year Collected 177

167

61.2%

Analyzed

Percent completed

Criminal Investigation Division

This Division is composed of the following units: Homicide, Cold Case, Attorney General's Criminal Division, Economic Crimes/Public Corruption, Environmental Crimes, Auto Theft, Washington Area Vehicle Enforcement, State Apprehension Team, Polygraph, Gang Enforcement, Regional Warrant Apprehension Task Force & U.S. Marshals Task Force, Extradition, Computer Crimes, Baltimore Gun Tracing Task Force, Prince Georges County Firearms Interdiction Task Force.

- The Homicide Unit conducted 76 investigations, 14 of which were homicide investigations. The Unit also served 31 search warrants and made 24 criminal arrests.
- During 2007, the Cold Case Unit conducted 22 cold case investigations, reviewed 307 files collected from the State Hall of Records, reviewed all 159 cold cases for forensic evidence (organizing ballistics, latent prints, and DNA into evidence binders), and completed 14 analytical reviews.
- In July 2007, the Unit worked a cold case joint investigation with the Baltimore County Police
 Department and obtained a confession from a serial rapist who confessed to an unsolved
 MSP rape investigation from the 1970's. That suspect was recently indicted by a Howard
 County Grand Jury and is expected to go to trial on those charges in 2008.
- The Auto-Theft Unit recovered 38 stolen vehicles worth \$995,110.00.
- The Auto Theft Unit became involved in an investigation involving a large scale automobile theft scheme which concerned 50 luxury automobiles that had been titled in Maryland utilizing fraudulent titles. It was learned that a compromised clerk from the Maryland M.V.A. in Glen Burnie assisted with the processing of these fraudulent out of state titles receiving a payment for each title that she processed. The investigation recovered 33 stolen vehicles, and 35 people have been identified as participating in the theft scheme. Eighteen people have been arrested with one of these subjects receiving 87 months in federal prison and ordered to pay in excess of \$350,000 in restitution. The total dollar amount of vehicles recovered to date is approximately \$1.2 million.
- The Washington Area Vehicle Enforcement made 383 arrests, recovered 872 stolen vehicles, seized 11 firearms, served 47 warrants, and recovered 47 carjacked vehicles. The vehicles recovered were valued at \$9,314,581.
- The State Apprehension Team served 135 felony arrest warrants, closed over 30 warrants for allied agencies, and served 11 warrants that had been opened for more than 6 months with no leads.
- The Polygraph Unit performed 1,141 polygraph examinations, 412 specific issue examinations, and 712 applicant type examinations.
- The Gang Enforcement Unit opened 127 cases in 2007 dealing with gang investigations; identified, interviewed, photographed and documented 143 gang members for entry into the Organized Crime Unit Gang Database; affected 85 criminal arrests and 134 criminal assists; authored and executed 12 search and seizure warrants resulting in the seizure of 20 firearms, large amounts of CDS and gang related paraphernalia; assisted the CID Homicide unit with 4 investigations; assisted other law enforcement agencies with 42 cases; assisted MSP barracks and local law enforcement agencies with 80 gang related and other investigations; and trained over 580 law enforcement officers in gang investigation techniques during 108 hours of certified gang investigation training classes.
- The Regional Warrant Apprehension Task Force & U.S. Marshals Task Force received 698 warrants, served or closed 683 warrants, and served or closed 101 retake warrants.
- The Extradition Unit has conducted or is in the process of conducting 283 extraditions in addition to 7 Governor's Warrants that have been served. The aviation fixed wing section has participated in 46 missions. The Maryland Home Detention Unit has had 197 fugitives returned. The Parole and Probation Commission has had an additional 19 inmates

- returned, and the Interstate Compact Commission has requested extraditions for 21 inmates. Assistance to other allied agencies has been provided 9 times.
- The Computer Crimes Unit has conducted 185 investigations and conducted 242 forensic laboratory examinations of computers for a variety of offenses with the majority of cases involving sexual exploitation of children.
- In 2007, the Unit executed a search and seizure warrant at a residence where the home computer and Internet connection were identified as being used to trade a large volume of child pornography across the Internet using a peer-to-peer network. Historical data captured through the ICAC national program suggests that at the time of the investigation, the suspect had one of the largest quantities of child pornography available for distribution in the country (*number 12 out of several hundred offenders nationwide*). During the execution of the search warrant, the suspect was found to be engaged in online picture trading activity. Many of these files were found to be those of known, identified victims of child pornography. Data was collected on-site of the over 1000 global IP addresses attempting to connect to the suspect's computer to retrieve the files. A subsequent forensic analysis of the computer identified over a thousand pictures and videos, filling multiple DVDs of child pornography. The suspect pled guilty to distributing and possession of child pornography.
- In May 2007, the Baltimore Gun Tracing Task Force was formed. The Task Force executed 48 search and seizure warrants, seized 214 guns, and made 34 arrests.
- In September 2007, the Prince George's County Firearms Interdiction Task Force was formed. The Task Force served 27 search and seizure warrants, seized 47 guns, and made 60 arrests.

Homeland Security & Drug Command

The Command is responsible for two divisions:

1) Drug Enforcement Division 2) Homeland Security & Intelligence Division

Drug Enforcement Division (DED)

- The backbone of the Department's drug control strategy is the Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Task Forces. The drug task force concept brings together state and local investigative resources to effectively combat drug problems. This collaborative approach facilitates the exchange of intelligence, maximize effectiveness, avoid duplication of services and eliminate potential operational conflicts. The Department currently participates in multi-jurisdictional drug task forces in 20 of 23 counties. In addition to drug task forces, members of the division are assigned to federal drug initiatives with the Drug Enforcement Administration, Customs and Immigration Enforcement and High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Initiatives. The division also houses investigative support units including the Asset Forfeiture Unit and Technical Surveillance Unit.
- The Delivery System Parcel Interdiction Initiative (DSPII) is a Department of State Police supervised HIDTA initiative that focuses exclusively on drug smuggling operations that utilize commercial parcel delivery services to transport illicit drugs and money in and out of the state. During 2007, members of the group arrested 36 drug suspects after intercepting drug-laden parcels containing 929 pounds of marijuana, 12 pounds of psilocybin, 10 pounds of cocaine, 3 gallons of liquid PCP, 1,498 prescription pills and \$64,724 in cash.
- During 2007, the Asset Forfeiture Unit, 16 real estate properties, 3 motor vehicles, and \$211,343 in cash were seized.

- The Marijuana Eradication Unit seized 3,780 marijuana plants and 449 pounds of processed marijuana. These investigations resulted in the arrest of 152 drug suspects and the seizure of \$188,246 in drug profits and 8 real estate properties being utilized in connection with cultivation efforts. The number of grow sites identified in 2007 was 113, a 9% increased from 2006. Through out 2007, 67 indoor grow operations were detected and dismantled.
- In November, the Caroline County Drug Task Force intercepted a drug-laden parcel from a commercial shipping company, destined for a Marydel residence. The parcel, which was shipped from Texas, contained 21 pounds of marijuana. Investigators arrested the intended recipient and two associates as they attempted to claim the package. A search of their residence revealed additional amounts of marijuana.
- During the month of June, the Carroll County Drug Task Force targeted a Baltimore area drug dealer who was supplying marijuana to Carroll County. The drug task force executed a search warrant on the suspect's Towson home. A search led to the discovery of 33 pounds of marijuana, \$3,322 in cash, a commercial money counter, and the arrest of the suspect.
- In June, the Cecil County Drug Task Force targeted a heroin dealer operating from his Colora home. During the investigation, investigators seized 88 grams of heroin and \$12,151 in cash. While serving a search warrant on the residence, the suspect and an accomplice were found a sleep in the home, each with a loaded handgun under their pillows. Both were arrested and charged. The amount of heroin seized was the largest in the 17-year history of the drug task force.
- During June, the Frederick County Narcotics Task Force concluded an investigation involving a Mexican drug trafficking organization supplying cocaine in Frederick. As the result of the undercover operation and a search warrant executed on a Frederick residence, drug task force investigators arrested 11 drug suspects and seized 15 pounds of cocaine.
- In February, members of the Garrett County Drug Task Force dismantled an indoor marijuana grow operation found inside an Oakland home. Investigators discovered the grow operation that included artificial lighting, aerator, water pump and seized 12 marijuana plants, capable of producing up to 2 pounds of marijuana each and 1 pound of dried marijuana.
- In June, the Harford County Drug Task Force concluded a long-term investigation that targeted a cocaine and marijuana distribution organization. The investigation concluded with the arrest of 32 suspects and the seizure of 10 pounds of marijuana, 19 ounces of cocaine, 6 ounces of methamphetamine, 13 vehicles, 13 firearms and \$138,601 in cash.
- During the month of April, the Prince George's/Montgomery County Drug Task Force detected an indoor marijuana grow operation as the result of a thermal imagery scan of a residence located in Laurel. Investigators obtained a search warrant for the residence and discovered an indoor grow operation containing 253 marijuana plants. Each plant would be capable of producing 1 to 2 pounds of marijuana each. The home owner was arrested and forfeiture proceedings are pending on his residence.
- During the month of February, the Talbot County Drug Task Force initiated an
 investigation into a large scale prescription drug dealer operating in Easton. After an
 undercover operation, police seized from the suspect 823 Percocet pills, 237
 Hydrocodone pills, 440 Diazepam pills and \$60,277 in cash. The suspect was arrested
 in the county's largest prescription drug case.
- The drug task forces and drug investigative support units accomplished the following in 2007: initiated 3,811drug investigations; made 1,274 drug arrests; and seized 2,347 pounds of cocaine, marijuana, heroin and methamphetamine (339 pounds of cocaine (Crack & Powder), 2,001 pounds of marijuana, 5 pounds of heroin, and 3 pounds of methamphetamine). The estimated value of the drugs seized was \$19,183,900.00.

DRUG ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

MULTI-AGENCY DRUG TASK FORCES 2007 Statistical Data

	CASES INITIATED	SEARCH WARRANTS	DRUG ARRESTS	CURRENCY SEIZED (\$)	VEHICLES SEIZED	REAL ESTATE SEIZURES	FIREARMS SEIZED	COCAINE POWDER (HCL) SEIZED (GRAMS)	COCAINE CRACK (BASE) SEIZED (GRAMS)	HEROIN SEIZED (GRAMS)	METHAMPHETAMINE SEIZED (GRAMS)	MARIJUANA SEIZED (GRAMS)	MDMA ECSTASY SEIZED (PILLS)	PRESCRIPTION DRUGS (PILLS)	PEN REGISTERS (# OF LINES)	WIRETAP INTERCEPTS (# OF LINES)
ALLEGANY	321	64	243	\$81,749	9	0	8	137	439	122	0	3,669	14	807	0	0
CALVERT	132	61	130	\$53,423	9	0	2	1,149	189	0	0	1,626	10	652	0	0
CAROLINE	104	38	90	\$21,066	8	0	17	49	165	0	0	12,990	91	0	0	0
CARROLL	214	70	88	\$417,402	5	1	15	85	135	16	0	31,526	1,586	157	1	0
CECIL	160	39	78	\$75,683	5	0	23	3,527	296	131	0	510	86	460	2	0
CHARLES	97	39	53	\$75,068	7	0	37	4,420	591	0	0	610	0	1,618	0	0
DORCHESTER	119	34	47	\$106,780	5	0	2	644	52	0	0	2,261	1	85	0	0
FREDERICK	222	60	147	\$132,417	23	4	38	10,739	946	51	0	31,151	577	334	14	3
GARRETT	278	28	227	\$13,117	9	0	1	66	43	41	1	5,407	29	530	0	0
HARFORD	165	90	123	\$303,524	16	0	22	6,150	1,161	75	193	19,804	559	16	0	0
KENT	111	22	37	\$9,649	7	0	2	6	22	0	0	555	0	0	0	0
PG / MONTGOMERY	148	74	151	\$299,806	10	4	54	2,223	355	1,003	0	116,849	214	115	9	3
QUEEN ANNE'S	194	36	81	\$41,562	16	1	6	260	80	0	0	832	0	70	1	0
SOMERSET	126	45	53	\$68,114	7	0	17	47	188	231	0	3,450	15	204	0	0
ST. MARY'S	281	170	163	\$81,685	13	0	28	2,147	479	0	0	2,315	0	259	0	0
TALBOT	126	35	52	\$73,806	3	0	1	8	229	0	0	591	0	1,531	0	0
WASHINGTON	43	19	81	\$82,225	25	0	170	8,375	1,275	5	1,344	1,402	2,014	55	5	1
WICOMICO	212	73	85	\$111,908	31	0	15	14,859	265	470	0	8,883	15	17	0	0
WORCESTER	164	56	96	\$83,625	5	1	6	1,271	256	0	0	1,381	5	40	0	0
D.T.F. 2007 TOTALS	3,217	1,053	2,025	\$2,132,609	213	11	464	56,162	7,166	2,145	1,538	245,812	5,216	6,950	32	7

Homeland Security & Intelligence Division (HSID)

This Division is comprised of eight unique sections that work in unison to collect, analyze, and disseminate criminal intelligence information across state, federal and local jurisdictional boundaries. These sections are identified as the Analytical Section, the Operations Section, the Maryland Coordination and Analysis Center (MCAC), the Department of Homeland Security National Operations Center (NOC), the Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF), the Grants and Special Projects Unit, the Secure Communications Section, and the Regional Intelligence Center Section (RIC).

- The Analytical Section produced 26 Intelligence Bulletins, 820 Intelligence Reports, 103
 FinCEN Reports, 260 Maps/Charts/Graphs, 2,955 Requests for Information, and 389
 Criminal Targeting Packets in addition to supporting 432 cases.
- The Analytical Section based on a tip from a corrections officer started investigating
 transactions to a recipient who was employed by a network that was smuggling contraband
 to inmates within Maryland's correctional facilities in Hagerstown resulting in the
 identification of several additional individuals involved in the network. The project has
 expanded to involve Baltimore City Police and JTTF sworn personnel.
- The Operations Section conducted 240 cases, 23 threat assessments, 61 Interpol cases, 14 Hate Bias Incidents, monitored 29 protests, initiated 6 Intelligence Bulletins, authored one and assisted with 14 search and seizure warrants, assisted with 3 homicides, and supported other divisions/agencies on 137 requests for assistance.
- The Operations Section in conjunction with allied agencies conducted four railway safety initiatives in the Baltimore/Washington area to detect and deter potential terrorist threats via the railway system. The four initiatives produced 9 arrests, 438 warnings, 262 citations, 2,057 citizen contacts, 200 vehicle inspections, 2,548 K-9 vehicle scans, 8,855 vehicle/registration checks, and 116 vessel safety checks.
- The Operations Section assisted the United States Secret Service with the release of Arthur Bremer from the Maryland Correctional Institution in Hagerstown, Maryland. Bremer served 35 years of a 57 year prison sentence for the May 15, 1972 attempted assassination of Alabama Governor and Presidential hopeful, George Wallace. Bremer was the subject of a mandatory release due to his spotless prison record.
- The Maryland Coordination and Analysis Center (MCAC) is comprised of 14 allied agencies. In 2007, the Center received and processed more than 11,484 total calls. The Center received over 512 terrorism-related tips. The Request for Information Section had more than an 82% increase in the number of allied appeals during the year. Request for assistance from the federal, state, and local law enforcement community increased to over 5,455 inquiries.
- In January 2007, the MCAC began its expansion to provide criminal case support, not just terrorism focused support, to Maryland's law enforcement agencies. The Center quickly proved its usefulness in this assistance when it provided in-depth case support to the Child Recovery Unit in identifying and locating a critically missing juvenile who was ultimately found and returned home without harm.
- The Department of Homeland Security National Operation Center (NOC) issues advisories and bulletins concerning threats to homeland security, as well as specific protective measures. The MSP representative at the NOC reviews, collects and disseminates information from daily bulletins, reports, and periodic summaries.
- The Maryland Joint Terrorist Task Force (JTTF) is responsible for the initial investigation of all terrorism-related complaints reported within the State of Maryland.

• Members of the JTTF Threat Squad were notified that a subject approached an individual and stated, "Call 911 and tell them that I just dropped off a device at Dulles Airport, and it's going to change the world." The subject called 911 again and stated "The device at Dulles is now on the conveyor belt, and there is nothing you can do to stop it now." Investigation based on a description of the subject and his vehicle and registration information revealed the identity of the subject. When the subject was questioned, he stated that he "was testing national security but was glad that the system works." The subject was placed under arrest for threat of a bomb making device and was initially held on a two million dollar bond. The suspect later plead guilty and was sentenced to time served, two years probation, and a suspended sentence.



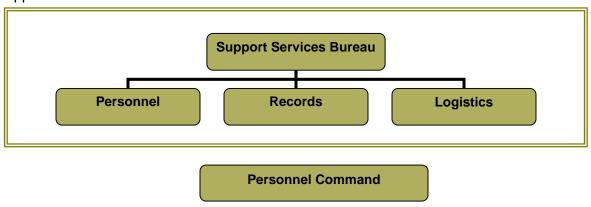
Investigator at Crime Scene Gathering Evidence

Support Services Bureau

The Support Services Bureau provides materials and services the Department and allied law enforcement agencies require to meet their obligations and responsibilities.

The Bureau manages the Department's information technology and communications systems.

Support Services consists of three Commands:



The Personnel Command is comprised of three divisions:

- 1) Human Resources
- 2) Promotional Testing
- 3) Education & Training

Human Resources Division (HRD)

The HRD mission is to provide quality personnel services and ensure a safe and healthy work environment. In 2007 HRD accomplished the following:

Employment Services Section

- Conducted 49 statewide applicant orientations for troopers & cadets
- Screened 1,435 potential applicants (interest generated from the 49 orientations)
- Selected 114 Trooper Candidates to fill 2 Police Academy Classes.
- Processed and hired 29 cadets for the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division
- Processed 526 background investigations for sworn and civilian positions
- Completed 146 reclassification/classification studies and 15 acting capacities pay requests
- Processed 90 Hiring Freeze Exception requests
- Prepared 3,062 MS-310 personnel transactions

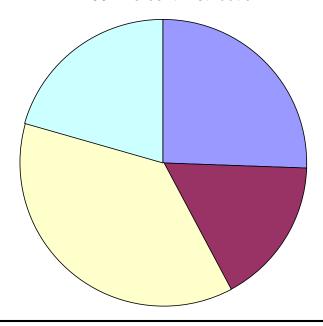
Personnel Administration Section

- Processed 41 sworn personnel entering DROP
- Assisted 19 Spouses with beneficiary death benefits
- Conducted orientation for 131 civilian employees
- Conducted orientation for the 130th Class
- Transaction 1,281 personnel orders

Currently, there are 122 active volunteers in the **Volunteers in Police Support (VIPS)**_Program. In 2007, the volunteers performed 16,497 hours of volunteer service to the Maryland State Police.

Civilian Personnel

2007 Percent Distribution



- Barrack/Support 25.58%
- Investigative/Special Enforcement/Protection 16.73%
- □ Technical/Training 37.06%
- □ Administrative 20.60%

Year	2005*	2006**	2007***
Authorized Strength	798	806	808
Actual Strength	723	699	723
Functional Groupings			
Barrack/Support	182	173	185
Investigative/Special Enforcement/Protection	126	120	121
Technical/Training	265	238	268
Administrative	150	168	149

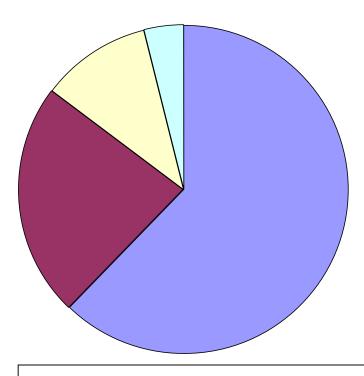
^{*} July

^{**} December

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Sworn Personnel

2007 Percent Distribution



- Barrack/Support 62.35%
- Investigative/Special Enforcement/Protection 22.93%
- □ Technical/Training 10.70%
- □ Administrative 4.00%

Year	2003**	2004***	2005**	2006***	2007***
Authorized Strength	1624	1593	1591	1591	1590
Actual Strength	1550	1529	1516	1547	1522
Functional Groupings					
Barrack/Support	981	904	924	924	949
Investigative/Special Enforcement/Protection	374	344	348	356	349
Technical/Training	138	217	178	189	163
Administrative	57	64	66	78	61

^{*} Includes Uniformed Patrol, Investigations, and Troop/Headquarters Command Staff

^{**}July

^{***}December

Medical Services Unit

- Administered 14 stress tests
- Conducted 1,828 hearing tests
- Processed 40 disability retirements
- Issued 685 restricted duty orders
- Conducted 613 random drug tests
- Processed 296 Trooper applicants
- Conducted 306 Body Fat Analysis
- Administered 707 Injections
- Conducted Blood Drives
- Conducted Open Enrollment

Promotional Testing

The Division devoted most of the year to the preparation and administration of the 2007 Promotional Process.

The following chart shows, by rank, the total number of personnel completing all phases of the 2007 Promotional Process.

RANK	TOTAL # COMPETING	BUSINESS NEED	MET BUSINESS NEED	COMPLETED ALL PHASES
Corporal	372	110	117	117
Sergeant	117	178	117	115*
First/Detective Sergeant	151	92	95	95
Lieutenant	51	51	51	50*
Captain	27	32	27	26*
TOTAL TESTED	718	463	407	403*

^{*} Denotes those personnel who withdrew from the process after taking the written exam and meeting the business need, but prior to the personnel assessment phase.

After the conclusion of the process, the Division invited all candidates to schedule an appointment to review the assessment packet for personal improvement and to answer any questions about the process. Fifty-seven candidates took advantage of this opportunity during 2007. The sessions will continue through August 31, 2008.

In addition to performing tasks relating to the Department's promotional system, the Division's staff provided the following support and assistance:

- Maintained records and provided allied agencies with assessors as requested. Twenty-one
 assessors of various ranks were provided to twelve allied agencies located both in state and
 out of state.
- Provided detailed information of the Department's promotional system to allied agencies upon request.

Education and Training Division

The goal of the Division is to train and certify new sworn employees for road patrol duties and to train current employees to increase their effectiveness and efficiency while widening their margins for safety.

In 2007, there were 94 new sworn employees (Trooper Candidates) who graduated from the 129th and 130th Trooper Candidate Classes. They meet all the objectives set forth by the Maryland Police and Correctional Training Commissions (MPCTC) and the 26 week period that makes up the academy.

The In-Service Section completed MPCTC, Federal and State mandated training as required for all employees. Some additional courses of instruction that were offered were Basic Criminal Investigations, Conducting Criminal Gang and Organized Crime Investigations, Basic Computer Investigations, Courtroom Testimony and Demeanor, Prevention & Deterrence of Terrorist Acts, Field Training Trooper (FTT), General Police Train-the-Trainer, RADAR/LIDAR, and CapWIN.



Recruit Class Scenario Training

Records Command

The Records Command consists of two divisions:

1) Central Records

2) Licensing

Central Records Division

The mission of Central Records Division is to collect, analyze and distribute traffic accident and crime related statistics.

Highlights marking the Central Records Division accomplishments for the year 2007 are as follows:

- Published the 2006 Crime in Maryland Uniform Crime Report in June 2007
- Published the annual 2006 Motor Vehicle Accident Statistics in April 2007
- Produced a DVD entitled "The Maryland Uniform Crime Reporting Program Overview" outlining protocols
- Implemented stricter Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) in response to new transportation law, Article 20-110, "Insurance Fraud Intentional Motor Vehicle Accidents, Creation of Documentation of Motor Vehicle Accidents and Reports" that became effective October 2007
- Processed over 100,000 motor vehicle accident reports, entering them in the State's Automated Accident Reporting System
- Held 10 three-day classes on Uniform Crime Reporting
- Conducted four onsite Quality Assurance Reviews (QAR)
- Made nearly 1,400 contacts to 160 police agencies, resolving reporting discrepancies

Licensing Division

The Licensing Division administers laws and conducts investigations concerning the sale, transfer, and registration of handguns, shotguns, rifles, machine guns, and electronic listening devices.

The Division has two distinct sections, the Firearms Registration Section and the Licensing Services Section.

Firearms Registration Section

The single most important part of the Section's mission is to complete, within seven days of the date applications are received, investigations of those persons applying to purchase regulated firearms. By accomplishing this mission, the Section will identify those persons who are prohibited by both State and Federal laws from purchasing, possessing, and or selling regulated firearms.

Firearms Registration Section	2006	2007	Change
Applications to Purchase Regulated Firearms (FRM77R)	23024	30997	+7973
Final Sales	21039	29350	+8311
Disapproved/Incomplete Sales	1985	1647	-338
New Regulated Firearms Dealers Applications.	12	17	+5
New Machine Gun Applications.	161	129	-32
Administrative Hearings.	0	2	+2
Cases Referred to the Firearms Investigation Unit	392	631	+315
Criminal	318	439	+121
Administrative	74	194	+120
New Collector's Applications	756	955	+199

Handgun Permit Unit

The Handgun Permit Section regulates the approval of all firearm instructors in accordance with COMAR Title 29.03.02.11.

Handgun Permit Unit	2006	2007	Change
APPLICATIONS RECEIVED			
Original:	1788	1872	+84
Renewal:	2274	2393	+119
Duplicate Permits	37	47	+10
Modified Permits	97	106	+9
Disapprovals	149	196	+47
PERMITS ISSUED			
Original:	1512	1711	+199
Renewal:	2103	2205	+102
Duplicate Permits	49	58	+9
Modified Permits	83	108	+25
HEARINGS			
Informal Hearings	97	189	+92
Hearing Review Board	31	11	-20
LEOSA			
MSP Original	115	267	+152
MSP Renewal	77	173	+96
MSP Approved	115	281	+166
Allied Original	676	1068	+392
Allied Renewal	275	769	+494
Allied Approved	676	1068	+392

Additionally, the Licensing Division processes applications for security guard and private detective licenses.

Logistics Command

The Logistics Command formed under the Support Services Bureau. The Command consists of five divisions: Electronic Systems; Facilities Management; Information Technology; Motor Vehicle; and Quartermaster

Electronic Systems Division

Telephone, radio and communication equipment for the Department and allied local, State and federal agencies is maintained by the Division. The Division also manages the National Law Enforcement Telecommunications Systems, a national switching system that for the purpose of law enforcement gives states access to other states' data on motor vehicles.

Facilities Management Division

The Division submits requests for capital fund projects as directed by the Superintendent, Department of State Police. The Division cooperates with the Department of General Services regarding buildings and projects of agency interest, and coordinates maintenance and repair of facilities of the Department of State Police.

<u>Information Technology Division</u>

The Division develops and manages information technology systems for the Department. The Division also is responsible for personal computers, fixed function terminals, mobile data computers, personal data assistants, and any forms of source data collection or automation.

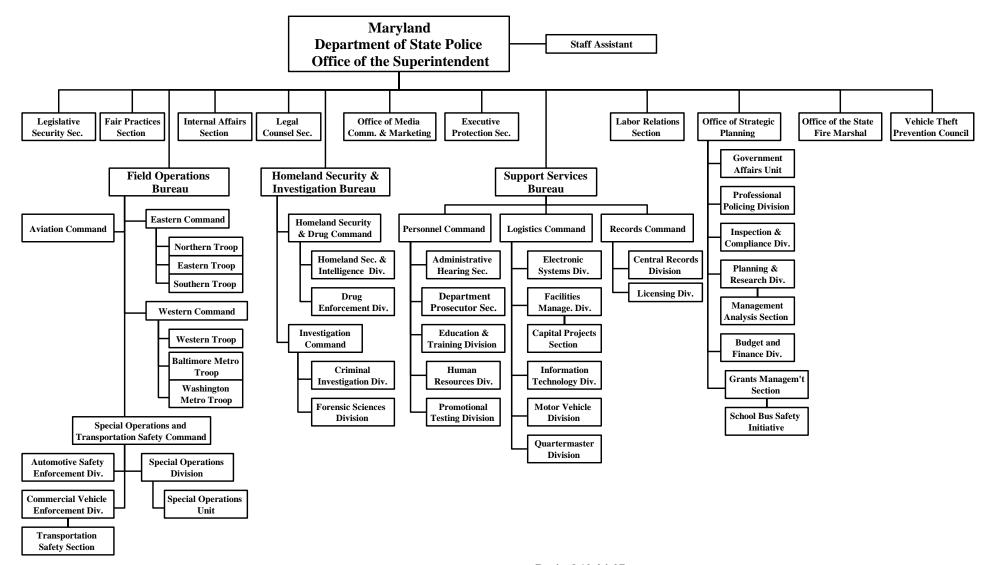
Motor Vehicle Division

The Division repairs, maintains, and disposes of the Department's motor vehicles. The Division also prepares and maintains equipment specifications and standards of performance for the motor vehicle fleet.

Quartermaster Division

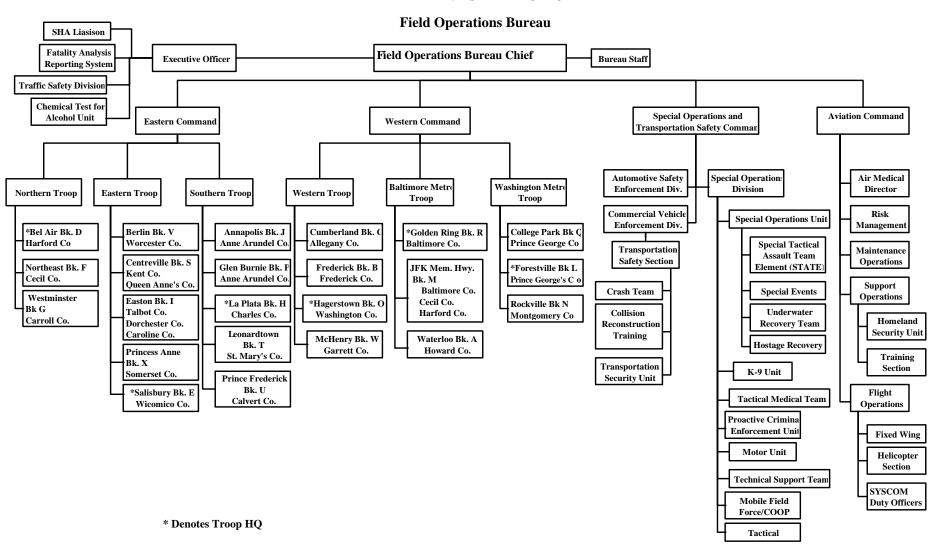
The Quartermaster Division (QMD) is responsible for all procurement, warehousing and delivery of commodities, equipment, contracts and services for the Department In 2007, QMD processed 4,773 purchase orders totaling \$25,788,817 in procurement for the Department. The Division made 817 corporate credit card purchases in 2007 totaling \$281,731. All requisitions received by QMD are entered into FMIS for tracking and accountability.



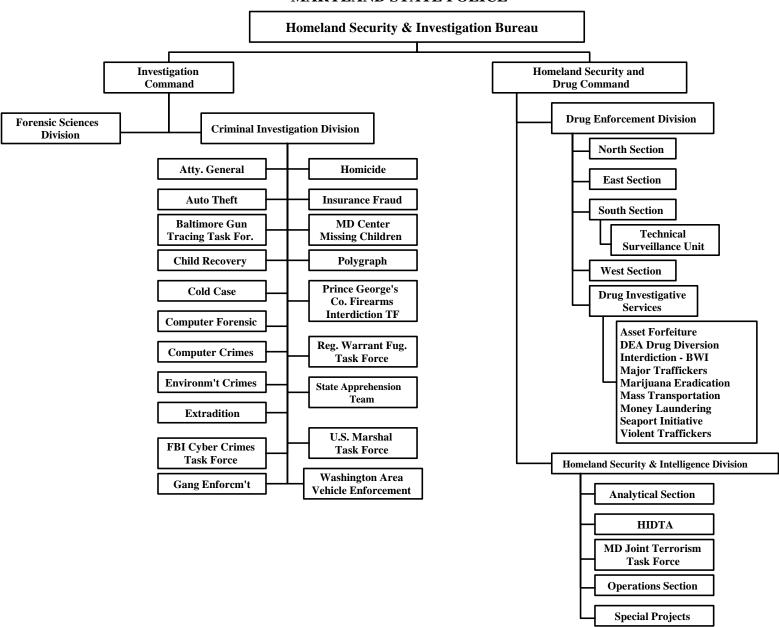


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